MINUTES LIVESTOCK FACILITY SITING REVIEW BOARD TELECONFERENCE MEETING April 4, 2008

Room 266, 2811 Agriculture Drive, Madison, WI

Chair Holte called the meeting to order at 11 a.m. LFSRB members present were Lee Engelbrecht, Andy Johnson, Bob Selk, Bob Topel, Fran Byerly, and Jerry Gaska. A quorum was present. DATCP staff present were Cheryl Daniels, Lori Price, Mike Murray, Dave Jelinski, Richard Castelnuovo, and Sue Porter.

Call to order

Holte stated the meeting agenda was publicly noticed, as required, and then presented the agenda for approval. Johnson moved to approve the agenda, and Engelbrecht seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Holte presented the March 7, 2008, meeting minutes for approval. Gaska had one change to the minutes on page 2, second paragraph, second sentence: change sentence to indicate Midwest Environmental Advocates had nominated Selk to sit on the LFSRB and not nominated him to receive an award. Johnson moved to approve the minutes as amended, and Selk seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Ronald S. Stadler v. Crawford County, Docket NO. 08-L-01: discuss need for technical assistance from DATCP staff concerning the Roth nutrient management plan

Daniels reported the LFSRB members should have received all the case record documentation received through DATCP. There were no additional position statements received besides what was received initially. Selk asked if the applicant sent in a position statement. Daniels responded the applicant called a couple of times to ask what was required but chose not to send in a position statement because he felt the record spoke for itself. Selk requested that a inventory of all the record documentation be sent to the LFSRB to make sure they have everything. He also requested that in the future, the local governments should be encouraged to put the record in binders with pagination so it is easier for the board to refer to a page when deliberating on a case. Topel notified the other board members that he has contracted in the past with the company that did the engineering in this case and his son was also employed at one time with that company. He currently has no projects with the company. The board agreed this would not be a problem, and Selk added that if Topel felt at anytime during case discussion he could not be impartial, he would let the board know.

Holte then turned the focus on whether the board needed technical assistance from DATCP at this time. The board discussed the difficulty in opening up the SNAP-Plus (Soil Nutrient Application Program) program provided on a CD. Daniels requested DATCP staff send a set of instructions on how to unzip the file in order to open up the SNAP program. Porter gave a brief explanation of the program, and Castelnuovo added that DATCP does provide funding to the UW Soils Department,

who developed the program, for continuous updates to the program. LFSRB members decided to have a 30-minute presentation on SNAP using the Roth farm as the example at the April 18th meeting where the board will deliberate in this case. Johnson suggested the presentation cover what the program delivers as far as evaluation relative to applications, for example, what data is provided in the program and what data backs the local decision in this case.

Holte asked if there were other needs for technical assistance from DATCP. Selk expressed a concern over the materials sent by DATCP staff on requesting technical assistance. His concern was on the item entitled "Issues Related to Review of a Nutrient Management Plan Under the Siting Law" that he believes states DATCP's position in the case by addressing specific issues within the case. Holte confirmed with Porter and Murray that the applicant did not have a WPDES permit, which would have substituted for the nutrient management plan. Porter added that the applicant is in the process of applying for a WPDES permit. Topel asked if the application and WPDES permit always partner together in that you cannot have one without the other. Murray responded that DNR does not require producers to specifically have the siting permit before apply for a WPDES permit but rather the appropriate local permits whether it is for manure storage, siting, building, etc. Daniels reminded the board members to review the worksheets in the application to make sure they meet ATCP 51 requirements. Selk requested that during the SNAP presentation, he wants to see the information on current nutrient load in the fields on the farm in this case.

Board schedule and future agenda items

Holte announced that the next scheduled LFSRB meeting is on April 18th. Daniels stated that the agenda will consist of the demonstration on the SNAP program using the Roth Farm example, board discussion on SNAP, and board case deliberation in the morning; and the case decision after lunch. The board then discussed whether to list specific times for each agenda item and decided that at a minimum, the call to order time should be listed with no specific times in between.

Daniels informed the board that she will be attending a large animal feed operations conference on April 5th in order to hear what is being said about the siting law and the LFSRB. She will report back to the board at a later date on what she learned at the conference.

Adjourn

Byerly moved to adjourn the meeting, and Engelbrecht seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting ended at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Selk, Secretary

Date

Recorder: LP